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MACEO LEO INTO AMBUSH

Continued from First Page.

Huse, oner of the Florida Cuban Justa, A letter received by a prominent Cuban A deter recover by a prominent caream to more account of the assussmanton of tien. Macro, and the cream safe with the exception of 1st. Zeramon, who was Many's physician. The letter came from a reliable source in Havano, but the correspondent's name a winding so it the correspondent's name, and details of one of the most horible atrocities ever chronocod in undern warrane.

From the letter it appears that the Marquis of Ahmoeds, who officiated as teptain general of Cutia during Weyler's absence in the field, and a better to ten, Macro, include the Cutian leader to a conference. Mateo, never for a noment lumining that treachery was intended, expectally as the invitation came from their a promisent Spatiard as the Marquis of Ahmoeds, times intelly returned an answer saying that he would be gird to neet the Spanish general, and only accompanied by an start he went to the renders as, fittle dreaming of the awful late in store for him.

THE AMEUSE

On arriving at the treets the Spanish understhere, acting under orders, actually mates the roles chafted as he passed. header was surprised to see, instead of the Marquis of Abuneda, a large body of Sparies solvery, who seemed to come

"Aever," was the reply and hardly had the words been attered when voiley after voiley was poured into the little band of pariotic who, although heumed in on all sides, outnumbered almost 190 to 1, stock spars to their bases, and with cries of "Lota, Labre" rode gallautly to their doubt.

denth.

Ameeo is reported to have fallen at the first fire with a bullet through his brad, breaking his jaw. Another hit him in the abdonen. Both were fatal. Gomer was the best to fall, and in a few mements a number of theory corpers, shot almost beyond recogniting, was all that remained of the gailant Cubans who trusted to Spanish bonor.

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Outrone member of the staff escaped, and that was Dr. Zertuena. The latter says the corpses were buried on the field and every presantion taken to keep the details from being made public.

THE JUNTA INFORMED.

New York, Dec. 12.—The Cohan Junta in this city received the following telegram from their Jacksonville agent, J. A. Honu, this afternoon. this afterm on "Recovered letter from Havana confirming death of Macco and staff by a combination between Marquis Abumada, second in command to Gen. Weyler, and Br. Zertocha. They were murdered."

Delegate Estrada Falma, after the receipt of the above, dictated a statement for the press. It was as follows. "The news does not sarprise me, because the first reports were so contradictory that they read like a mystery. I was inclined to better that the news was false at first, but that if Gen. Macco was dead it was through the assessin's Ende. It seems now that the hest been murdered. "Gen. Weyler, in addressing the crowd from the balloop of his palace, seemed arxiom to shork the credit for the responsibility of Macco's death when he said that the victory was clearly due to Ahumoda. Perhaps his crustience begins to feel remover. This very not of the Spanish cimy. They must resert to treachery.

CALLED ON M'KINLEY.

Sam Randall's Son at Canton-Sloat

Fassett for the Cabinet, Camon, O., Dec. 12.—Major McKinley had an hour or two in which to glance at his mail this morning before the callers began to arrive. Among those who came to see ham was Samuel J. Randall of Philadelphia, son of the great proceeding bemocrat, who was one of Major McKinley's good propose.

Philadelphia, son of the great protection bemocrat, who was one of Masor McKinleys good riends and Mr. Eradail discussed the Pennsylvania sittered a pleasantly and were cut short in task discusse by the arrival of other callect.

The reports that Mabor McKinley expects to go to Gleveland or Chicago within a few days have no foundation. Major McKinley said this atternoun that he had no intention of leaving Cauton.

New York visitors are discussing the name of J. Short Fassett as a Cabinet possibility, and suggesting that in certain contingencies his selection by the President-elect would be a natural and politic step.

Former Pension Examiner a Forger, Toronto, Cont., Dec. 12.—James A. GorGon, of Grand Rapids, Mica., was arrested here this afternoon on a charge
of forgery, involving a large amount of
money. Jordan was a United States goverament official, employed as a special
pension examiner and is charged with
forging the government's signature.

Pamunkey Indians' Tribute. Richmond, Va., Bec. 12.—The Panunkey Indians, through their chief, Bradby, today paid their annual tribute to the governor in the shape of a fine deer and a String of ducks. The governor insisted upon mak-ing acknowledgment of the tribute in the way of a check.

THE frequent attempts to wreck train and the success which attends only too many of them with more or less fatal results emphasizes the necessity for the PENALTIES which will provide

adequate panishment for the criminals. Dur-FOR ing the last session of Congress a bill was introduced in the WRECKERS. House bearing upon

this subject, but it

land.

has not yet passed the committee stage The powerful influence which railroad corporations are generally supposed to have with legislators might be properly and advantageously employed in this instance. They are immediately interested in the answage of this bill for the evil it is lesigned to remedy in part afflicts their patrons generally, and their employes and their property particularly. Until a few years ago train wrecking was indigenous o the West, but Intely it has spread to ther sections of the country, and even the inmediate vicinity of Washington has had specimens of it. If such outrages are moitted in thickly-settled portions of he country, and men are justly apprehen ive that when they undertake a journey by rall they may be landed in a ditch instend of reaching their destination in safety, it is time that Congress should set its wits to work to discover some means

to check it. The man that deliberately sets about to creek a train with its load of human common muroerer. Where the latter kes one life, the train wrecker does not besitate to sacrifice a hundred lives in order o gratify either his capidity, a spirit of evenge or an impulse of sheer devilish ers. Not only this but he recks as nothng the frightful suffering the victims of his crime may have to undergo before expired while cruehed in some frightful wreck; how many perished in the figures of the burning train dashed from some high restle by miscreants intent upon plunder There is but one way of dealing properly with this matter. Train wrecking should be placed in the same category with murder and the penalty made the same as for that crime. Nor should it natigate the offense, or lessen the punishment of the offender, that the attack may not have been successful. The fact that the attempt is unde is sufficient proof that the person making it sid not shrink from inflicting frightful death upon a number of his fellows. Whatever is the highest penalty known to the laws for murder should also e meted out to the train wrecker.

IT IS to be regretted that Chairman Babcock, of the House District Committee, appears to take a view radically different from that entertained by the Commis-

sieners and a major-CONTRACT ity of the people of the District with re-OR DAY gard to the contract LABOR. work. From remarks made by him yester-lay, in the course of a conference of the

mittee and the Commissioners, be exressed the opinion that the contract system was preferable, because work under it was tone better and more cheaply than by day inbor. Mr. Hebesek declared that he had come to this conclusion from a large per-sonal experience. With due respect to the gentleman, he may rest assured that Washington's experience is altogether the reverse. It is quite safe to say that hardly a public building has been erected or any public improvement undertaken here by contract that could not have been done at less cost and with equally good, if not better works ansaip, by day labor under the direct supervision of the District authorities. This is true as to paving, true as to sewers, true as to street work, garbage service and a dozen other things that might be mentioned. A large portion of the District debt is due to expensive but

poorly done contract work.

Chairman Habrock's objection that the obstitution of day labor for contract work rould place too much power in the hands of the Commissioners does not seem to be well taken, provided always, of course, that men of unquestioned integrity occupy amount to be expended on a certain Work Whether this be done by centract awarded by the Commissioners or by day labor ers, actually employed under their immediate authority. A sacred melodrama, entitled "Christ is us the Caban the sum appropriated cannot be exceeded Born," will be given by the boys of St. by them. The contract must be within the appropriation, and the amount expended, if the work were done by day cult to see how the District could be the ser by leaving the question to the decision of the Commissioners. Suppose a ertain piece of work is to be done. The Commissioners can advertise for bids, reserving the right to reject any or all of them. If they find that they can do the work for less than the bid of the lowest bidder, and do it as Well, they should undoubtedly have the power to employ day

It is not necessary now to discuss the ther phases of this question, such, for instance, as the equitable claim of the workingmen of the District to have their interests considered in Connection with work paid for by the taxpayers here. It s to be toped that a further examination of the subject will incline Mr. Babcock to change his opinion and lead him to coincide with those members of his committee who believe in day later wherever it can be employed advantageously on public works.

EVERY good and true man in the city will wish Judge Miller the amplest kind of success in his announced determination to put a stop to the street begging nuisance. There is

THE more of this kind of thing going on in BEGGING Washington now than ever before. Beggars NUISANCE. are getting more numerous and more importunate. Nine times out of ten if a man

refuses to give alms to a mendicant, or his donation does not satisfy the beggar's expectation, he is abused and not infre-quently assaulted. The worst of the whole business is that a certain class of these fellows choose women and children as their prey, and their insolence or violence has had serious results in some in-stances. Whatever drastic punishment, therefore, lies within the province of the police court's authority, should be visited upon men, many of them able-bodied, who choose to constitute themselves the drones

in the human bee hive. Entirely too much leniency has been shown to the street heggar. There is no need for any man to beg in the streets, for he can get shelter and food for the asking. The professional beggar, of course, will hesitate to "brace" a policeman, but the unfortunate who is really in want need not besitate to approach an officer and ask to be directed to the places where provision is made for aiding such as he It is to the professional mendicant that the rigor of the law should be applied. Citizens can do a great deal to help in this matter. If they are "beld up" in the street by a beggar and have reason to believe that the fellow makes begging a ousiness they should not be content with simply refusing the alms, but turn the beggar over to the nearest officer. The judge can do the rest.

The Late Chris. Hoffmann. Editor Times. I wish to express through The Times my sincere thanks to all who so kindly assisted me during the long ill-ness and at the funeral of my late beloved husband, Christian Hoffman. MRS. CHRISTIAN HOFFMANN. December 12, 1896.

City Brevities PHENOMENAL Chief Engineer Stivers of the Navy is at the Ebbitt. SUCCESS! Walter Ferris, the artist, has been herg, for several days. The Arber Vitae Social Clob, of Capitol Hill, held a meeting Friday night.

Congressman J. C. Hutcheson of Texas left yesterday for a bunting trip in Mary

Mr. Garnet D. Thompson of Harrodsburg, Ky., a son of Hon. Phil B. Thompson, is registered at the Owen House.

On next Saturday the Rev. Dr. Stearns will deliver a lecture before the Bible class at Central Union Mission.

The three-masted schooner Murray Van-diver, is unloading coal at the eastern wharf of the Great Falls Ice Company.

Rev. G. W. Hobbs, of Trinity M. E. Church

The services at the Central Union Mis-ion this evening will be conducted by Miss bassett, the noted Quaker Evangelist.

Mr. R. N. Brooke, who has been recently in Warrenton doing evangelistic work, has returned to this city for the winter.

Charles Ashton was arrested yesterday in Center Market by Detective McDevitt for attempting to pick a lady's pocket.

Ex-Congressman Charles Tracy and fam-ily left the Arlington yesterday for Al-bany, where they will spend the winter.

Mr. Crittenton, the rescue work evan gelist, will deliver his farewell address this evening at the Metropolitan M. E. Church.

Mr. Thomas Elwood, of Third street north

east, has gone to Maryland on a deer hund and will not return until after the hole

Judge James C. Carter of New York,

who has been conducting a case before the Supreme Court, left yesterday for the metropolis.

Henry Carter, who was messenger for

the Republican national committee in New York, will be nessenger for the imaggrad

Gaillard Hunt, of the State Department, is an aspirant for the chairmanship of the floor committee in connection with the inaugural ball.

Mr. F. A. Waters of 332 Delaware avenue accompanied by his wife, will leave today for Frederick, Md., for a visit to his mother's home.

National Committeeman A. T. Wimberly

Special services will be held Christmas day at Holy Trinity Church, in Georgetown,

Mgr. Sbaretti will officiate, and Mgr.

Yesterday merning Scott Hunt, an employe of the Eckington car stables, had a

fight with a young man, and as a result got his nose broken with a stone.

Hon. Thomas B. Davis of Keyser, W. Va., a brother of ex-Senator H. G. Davis,

and himself a prominent capitalist and politician of the Mountain State, is in the city.

Mr. William E. Curtis will lecture at National Rifles' Hall on Tuesday evening for the benefit of Grace M. E. Church. His subject will be "Spain—the boy king and his subjects."

Charles E. Tippet, twenty-six years of age, a carpenter by trade, was arrested yesterday by Officer Clinton, of No. 5 station, charged with making threats against his wife. He was released on \$300

zaga Hall, on Monday afternoon, December 28, and Toesday and Wednesday evenings, December 29 and 30.

A reader of The Times writes to say

A reaser of the Times writes to say, referring to the stray horse of Mr. Sheriff, mention of which was made yesterday in The Times, that the animal was found by two lads, Archie Hammerly and John Richardson, in front of 1118 Eleventh street

northwest, and that they took it to the Second precinct, where it was claimed by

About 150 prominent citizens of North

About 150 prominent citizens of North Carolina, residing at present in this city, met last evening in Confederate Veterons' Hall and effected the permanent organiza-tion of the North Carolina Society. The following officers were chosen. Gen. Will-lam R. Cox, president Mrs. Mary M. But-

ier, first vice president: Mrs. Haywood, second vice president; Mr. F. M. Little, secretary; Mr. T. H. Atkinson, treasurer.

INCLINED RAILWAY BURNED.

Employes Narrowly Escaped With Their Lives on Lookout Mountain.

Sighted in Sinking Condition.

Philadelphia Must Pay 8137,070.

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Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—A verdict for \$137,070 was rendered by a jury in the common pleas court before Judge Mo-Michael this morning in favor of Fibert. Forter & Cu., and against the city of Philadelphia. The plaintiffs built the Queen Lake reservoir and they brought suit for the recovery of 10 per cent of the contract price, \$122,000, which was withheld by the city.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Chattan oga, Tenn., Dec. 12.—The power ourse and stat on of the Lookout Mountain

school, at new Gon-

bonds.

Aloysin

Martinelli will also be present,

days.

will exchange pulpits today with Rev. C. L. Pate, of North Capitol Church.

New payements have been laid along Fifth street southeast, from L to M. The sewers in the eastern section of the city were cleaned and flushed yesterday. A Physician Whose SkillHas Made Him Famous.

New gas mains have been laid along Georgia avenue southeast, between Second and Fourth streets. The minist infractions cures being effected daily by Dr. Young, the celebrated specialist, commune to attract widespresal attention. Case after case pronoused interable by oblier doctors leave yielded to the all-hearing power of this eminent physician, and are today enjoying the classing of health. Many come without hope, but are soon convinced of las kill Dr. Young's professional abilities are recognized the world over. Dr. O. E. Howe, who took an active part in the late campaign, in Kansas, returned to the city yesterday. E. L. Siddons is in Philadelphia attending the National Civil Service Reform Asso-ciation convention. The Central Union Mission board lacks now \$2,000 to pay off the second trust debt on the building.

DR. YOUNG,

Cor. 12th and F Sts., Treats with remarkable success Catarrh, Asthma, Bronchins, and all disenses of the Ear, Eye, Nose, Throat, Lungs, Kidneys, Bladher and Stomach, A never-failing cure for Stricture, Varioscele, and hydrocele, No path, No cutting or operation, No loss of time. Specific or operation. No less of time. Specific Person Circuity of potash.

**EDF. Young employs no substitutes, but sers each patient personally at this private Sanitarium,

Mr. Clarence E. Young, who was, until recently, the private secretary of Senator Daniel of Virginia, is in the city. Cor. 12th and F Sts. Office hours Duity 10 to 5; every Thursday evening, 7 to 8; sueday, 10 to 12. Charges Low, Especially to the Poor.

BLOCKING OUT THEIR WORK

Ways and Means Committee Divide Tariff Schedules.

The Good Templars of Tenleytown gave a masquerade party last Friday night. The feature of the entertainment was a cake WAS IN SESSION YESTERDAY

> Spent Two Hours in Planning for the New Measure-Row the Important Subjects Will Be Handled, The Whole Committee Will Frame the Bill This Time.

Two hours were spent at the Capital yesterday by the Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee in considering the time and manner of going bearings to form the basis of a new tariff oill and selecting the members who shall

bill and selecting the members who shall study different features of the bill so that they may report from time to time as experts.

It was also decided that the bill shall be framed by the full committee and not build up from a series of reports made by different subcommittees, as has been formerly the case. While no definite date was assigned, it was understood in a general way that the hearings will begin on Monday, the 28th first. It was also decided that a resolution shall be reported to the House for a holday adjournment from I coember 22 until January 5.

DIVIDING THE LABOR.

In the division of hallor the wool and of Louisiana, who returned from Canton with the Southern delegation, left last night for New Orleans. The ladies of the Tenleytown Methodist Episcopal Church gave an entertainment last Wednesday night for the benefit of the general church fund. Messrs M. Alistock, Manticim, England, and Charles Watts, London, England, who-are making a tour of the United States, are at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Tour-Tecensies 22 until January 5.

101VDING THE LABOR.

In the division of labor the wool and woolgns schedule will receive the particular attention of the chairman, Mr. bungley, of Maine, and associated with him will be Mr. Russell of Connectical, Mr. Grossenor of Ondo and Mr. Dataell of Penns, iyama. Mr. Grossenor of Ondo and Mr. Dataell of Penns, iyama. Mr. Grossenor of Ondo and Mr. Flatell of Penns, iyama. Mr. Grossenor of Ondo and Mr. Flatell of Penns, iyama. Mr. Grossenor of Ondo and Mr. Payne of New York will give their attention to the sugar schedule, which, it is expected, will prove a source of considerable endagrassment, owing to the differently of fixing a rate of duty which will be satisfactory from a pointent and economic standpoint.

Another feature of the bill, reciprocity in trade with coher considers from which certain articles are imported that are produced in little. If any extent, a the finited States, is expected to be another stambling block, owing An the difficulty of securing satisfale treaties with Brazil, from whom most of our corfee is purchased, and with Spain for reciprocity in Cuban products. The state Bepartment has been advised that Brazil is anwining to revive the old reciprocity treaty of 1890, and the strained relations with Spain will, it is thought, militate against a treaty with that country. Velocated relaced to negotiate such a treaty six sears are, and it is not expected that her position has been changed during the infecting The fuller conneloration of this reciprocity question will be left principally to Mt. Tawney, of Minnesota, and Mr. Hopsins, of Illinos, who, during the last session, prepared an exhibitive report on the subject, showing now greatly the United States had benefited by the arrangement.

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It was agreed that careful aftention should be given to the agricultural schedute, and this will be largely in the lands of Mr. Bolliver, of lowa: Mr. Tawney, of Minnesots; Mr. Johnson, of North Diskota, and Mr. Steele, of Indiana. The internal revenue features of the bill, of which liquor and telucytofern the main scheets, will be left with Mr. Evans, of Kentucky, and Mr. Russell, of Connecticut. Cottons and stik will receive the attention of Messrs, Dingley, of Maine, and Russell, of Connecticut.

IRON AND STEEL

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The iron and steel schedules will re-ceive the attention of Mr. Dalzell, of rennsylvania, in view of the inree mann-facture of that product in that State: Mr. Tawney, of Minnesota, by reason of the fact that he represents the great zon ore interests; and associated with them will be Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, No decision, not even of a tentative character, was reached respecting the administrative law.

be Mr. Hopkins, of illinois. No decision, not even of a tentative character, was reached respecting the administrative law, which will probably be prepared by the full committee.

There was no division of opinhon regarding a substitution of specific for advalorem rates. The general discussion of the subject showed that it is the committee's intention to frame a conservative and by momens an extreme measure. In no case will the rates in the former McKlinkey law be exceeded except where, as a member expressed it yesterday morning, this was done by the Democrats "for good and sufficient reasons," when the present tariff haw was formed. On the other hand, a reduction of duty will follow in each case where it is practicable, keeping in mind only the necessity of protecting home findustries, with such additions to the revenues as will prevent a deficiency in the National Treasury.

A full committee meeting, at which the bemeratic members will be present has

will prevent a deficiency in the National Treasury.

A full committee meeting, at which the Democratic members will be present, has been called for Yonday next, at which time the purposes of the majority will be outlined and a definite understanding reached respecting the date when hearings shall begin.

It is intended that the bill shall be completed not later than the first day of March, in order that it may be reported to the House the day that the extra session begins.

SPAIN WAS DENOUNCED.

Chattan oga, Tenn., Dec. 12.—The power house and stat on of the Lookout Mountain and Lula Lake Inchine Railway Company, located on the eastern brow of Lookout Mountain, was completely destroyed by fire this morning before daybreak.

The fire originated in the engine room and employes sleeping in the huilding narrowly escaped with their lives, as the structure was very inflammable and was filled with powerful machinery. The engine fell with a fearful crash. The loss will reach \$23,000. Insurance, \$15,000.

The cable holding the upper cay shapped in the midst of the excitement and the car, a mass of flames, bounded down the steep incline, said to be the heavlest mountain railway grade in the world. The road is known as the new incline No. 2, and is the most direct approach from the city to Lookout Inn.

Every indication points to incendiary origin. Water was turned off by the perpetrators before setting fire to the building, rendering it impossible to fight the flames. The stock of the road is held here. The road is operated by electricity at d was completed last April at an outlay of \$100,000. This incline is a straight track over a mile in length and near the summit a climb is made at an angle of sixty eight degrees. Grizzled Veterans Are Anxious to Fight Maceo's Assassins. Sighted in Sinking Condition.
London, fee, 12.—The British steamer Damara, Capt. Chambers, at London from Halifax, reports that on December 6, in latitude 48 north, longitude 21 west, she sighted the British brig Victoria, Capt. Morgenborg, from St. John 8 Newfoundland, for Bristol (previously erroneously reported arrived at the last named port), in a sinking condition. Two of the Victoria's crew were drowned and five were rescued by the Damara.

Grizzled Veterans Are Anxious to Fight Macco's Assassins.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 12 — When the news of the reported assassination of Macco, the Caban leader, was builetined at the offices of the United Associated Presses in Pittsburg this evening, they were read by thousands, and Spain dehounced in the most vigorous language.

Sympathy with the Cabans and their cause was aroused to an astonishing degree. A representative of the Leader visited G. A. R. Post 152, in Allegheny, to interview some of the representative veterans on the Caban situation. The post was just adjourning.

When Commander Brown heard from the reporter the news of Macco's assassination, he seized his gavel and called the post to order sgain. The reporter was requested to repeat his story.

As they heard the reading of the United Associated Presses' report of the attack upon Macco while under the protection of the flag of truce, every one of the fifty of the grizzled veterans present pressed cagerly forward. The reading finished, there was a min only selence, then Commade R. C. Miller said firmly and slowly:

"If this be true, I am ready to to to Cuba temorrow."

"The cowards," hissed many.

A general and carnest taik followed, in which the most intense carnestness was evidenced. "If this is true, we will all go to the aid of the Cubans," shouted a speaker. The answer in chorus was "That's what we will."

The general sentiment prevailing was that the United States should extend immediately a powerful arm to the speedy assistance of the Struggling band of patriots on the Island of Cuba.

Vienna, Dec. 12.—Count TruattmansdorfWeinsberg, president of the Austrian House
of Lords, died today.

Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 12.—Claude L.
Landgraff, a postoffice cierk, aged nineteen years, a member of the Y. M. C. A.
footbail team, died this morning after two
days illness of typhoid fever. He had suffered since Thanksgiving Day, when he was
seriously burt in the stomach during a
footbail game.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Mrs.
Richard V. Gaines, mother of President
Gaines, of Eastman College, died this
morning at her home in Clarksville, Va.

No other house does -ever did-or ever will sell such sterling qualities at such low prices as SAKS quotes. Saks and Santa Claus Are Partners

in effort to make this holiday season the merriest of the merry. The broad branches of this great tree of wardrobe-supply-ever green with richest valuesare bowed down within reach of the shortest purse-by a matchless stock of sensible, serviceable giveables.



The Prince of Presents is a Smoking Jacket

or a Bath Blanket. You stand before the best and biggest stock in town at our counters-all exclusive creations-that were made up expressly to our order. We have exerted ourselves to surpass any previous holiday offering of these handy house coats-and the entire assortment from beginning to end sparkles with special values at special prices.

Three Specials:

Gift Suspenders.

ends, drawer attachments, each pair in glass box

Fancy Sik Web Suspenders, braided ads, drawer attachments, 220

The best All-silk Suspenders, with

Sterling Silver Mountings, in fancy boxes, \$2.48, \$2.98 and \$3.48.

Handsome Imported Mixed Cheviots with cord edge, frogs and \$4.50 \$4.50 English Edgesom Jackets, in the newest-colorings, hound with velvet frogs. Special price. \$4.48 Blue, Black and Garnet Tricot J. edges twith like, and rastelling with frogs. Special price. Gift Umbrellas. Both Men's and Women's a big

Union Taffeta Umbrelias, close roll, on sicel rous, Sterling Silver mounted. Natural handles, Big value \$1.89 Ladies' Underwear. Elack and fashionable colorings, elegantly mounted, with genuine hand-painted breaten, Engraved Sterling Silver and silver dep at handles, 980, \$1.23, \$1.45, \$1.98 to \$15.

Tricot, Velvet, Corduray, Silk and Reversible smoking Jackets, \$3.50 to \$20. Elderdown Eath Robes - new patterns S4.50 to \$13.50. California Elankel Robes, \$4.50 to 10. Turkish Toweling Robes, \$2.39 and \$3, Selections unade now will be delivered at any time desired.

Gift Neckwear. Notoly knows better than the men falks what humbone beckwear ours is the handsome that wears as well as it roke. Unional large line of styles. Your chiefe of Ascots, Impering, Tecks, Fuffs, thank hows and this Ther. Fuffs, thank hows and this the tery reasest light and dark effects. The monit 75c, grader to Choice of all shapes in an exchatve variety of patterns, light and dark effects. Special values 48¢

Gift Mufflers. You can pay as much as you want to, or as little—We've a full line at all prices—in all colors. But the biggest value for the least money in town—in Mufflers—is this—

Men's Silk Mufflers, ample in size fashiomobie in shades, and a rare offering for— 98€

SOLID SILVER SOUVENIRS.

Stering Silver Nail Files, adjustable .486 Sterling Silver Letter Opener, with pearl Silk Emerys with Sterling Silver Mountings. 48c Unbrella Straps with Sterling Silver

Happy Thought Beyele Lamps, highly mekeled, burns 10 hours with one filling, use any kind of all—\$2.75

Mascot Saddles, very like he flunt-worth \$3.50....

Men's Bicycle Hose, fancy patterns-worth 75c.-a pair

Gift Gloves.

Gift Dress Suit Cases.

A line of all sizes, shades and grades, with this lot as a leader. Tan Leather Case, with capped corners, brass lock, stout handles. \$2.98

Sterling Silver Manicure Sets, three 1980 Shoe Horns, with sterling silver handle-pieces. 1980 Manicure File with Long Sterling Silver Manicure Rule, with extra long sterling Manicure Rule, with extra long sterling silver Manicure Rule. Manicure File with Long Sterling Silver
Handle.

Sterling Silver Lorgnettes.
Sterling Silver Mounted Cellabid Memorandinu Tablets.
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Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 12—Collector W. R. Kenali, at this port, received a felegram yesterday from the Treasury Department. Washington, D. C., stating that information had been received there that the yacht Vamoose, which arrived doze Friday, was loaded with arms and munitions of war for the Cuban insurgents, and instructing Collector Kenan to make investigation and report.

The collector at once boarded the yacht and scarched the vessel, but found only a double-barreled shot gun, two sporting rifles and a revolver with a small quantity of ammunition for each; all private property of Capt, McIntosh, the master of the yacht.

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The Vamoose sailed at noon for Key West, Florida, and the captain and would promately stop at Charleston and other places along the coast.

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